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SYSTEM, DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PLACING A BODY

IMPLANTABLE LEAD IN THE CORONARY SINUS REGION OF

THE HEART

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action, mailed September 15, 2004, the Examiner required restriction to one patentably distinct species of invention. The Examiner identified six patentably distinct species, and indicated that claims 1 and 37 are generic. Applicants hereby elect Species II, corresponding to Fig. 5. The claims readable upon that species are claims 1-5, 7, 19, 21 and 37. Consideration of those claims is requested.

Upon allowance of generic claim 1, Applicants request reconsideration of the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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